

WEEKLY MEAL PLAN EXAMPLE WITH GROCERY LIST

## Breakfast Lunch

Mon. 3 egg bites Tues. 3 egg bites Wed. oatmeal w/fruit Thurs. eggs w/turkey bacon Fri. oatmeal w/fruit Sat. breakfast bowl Sun. buttermilk pancakes

chicken salad leftover chili leftover chicken salad leftover elote pork bowl grilled cheese w/ soup greens salad of choice greens salad of choice

## Dinner

chili elote pork bowl leftover chili sausage potato bake tater tot casserole leftover sausage potato bake leftover tater tot casserole

### **Grocery** List

### produce: \$18.40

- avocado
- bell pepper
- celery
- cilantro
- grapes
- jalapeños
- lemons
- limes
- mixed greens
- potatoes
- red onions
- strawberries
- yellow onion

### meat: \$9

- ground beef
- ground pork
- sausage

### canned goods: \$11.15

- refried beans
- salsa
- beef broth
- diced tomatoes
- red kidney beans
- tomato sauce
- tomato soup
- canned chicken
- canned corn
- cream of celery soup
- green beans

#### other: \$4

- whole wheat bread
- taco seasoning
- Worcestershire sauce

### frozen: \$7.50

#### tater tots

- frozen mixed veggies
- hashbrowns
- turkey bacon

### dairy: \$9.50

- eggs
- American cheese
- shredded cheese
- skim milk
- buttermilk
- sour cream

### from your "pantry basics":

## • seasonings: salt,

- garlic powder, cayenne pepper, chili powder, Slap Ya Mama<sup>®</sup> seasoning, pepper
- rice
- oats
- flour, sugar, baking powder
- olive & vegetable oil
- vanilla
- favorite salad dressing
- butter
- garlic
- mayo

## PANTRY BASICS

### **Cooking Basics:**

salt (\$0.50) black pepper (\$2) oils: olive oil, vegetable oil, non-stick spray (\$3.50) garlic & garlic powder (\$0.50) onion powder (\$2.50) chili powder (\$3) oregano (\$1) allspice (\$3) all-purpose flour (\$2) baking powder/baking soda (\$1.50) sugar (\$2) vanilla extract (\$4)



### Canned/Jar Items:

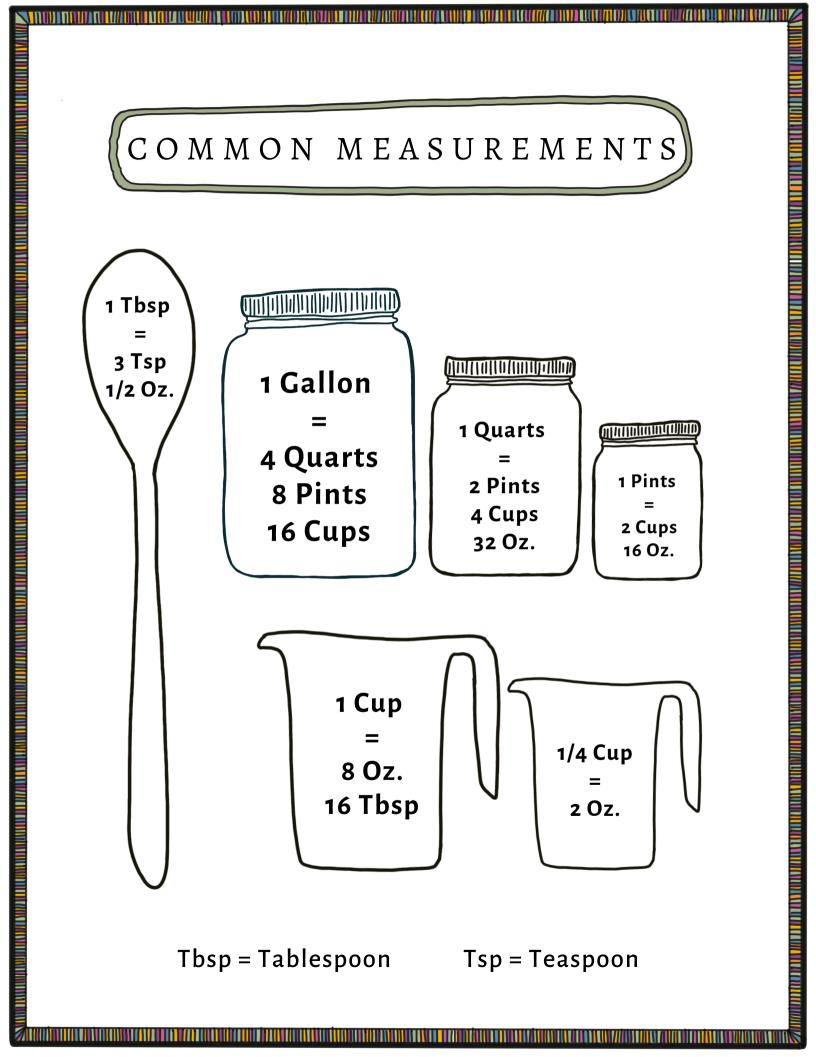
diced/crushed tomatoes (\$2) beans - so many options! (\$1-3) peanut butter (\$1.50) chicken/beef broth (\$1.50) rice (\$1.50) pasta (\$1) pasta sauce (\$1.50) oats/oatmeal (\$3-5) canned veggies (\$0.75-\$2) tuna (\$0.79) nuts: peanuts, cashews, almonds (\$2-5)



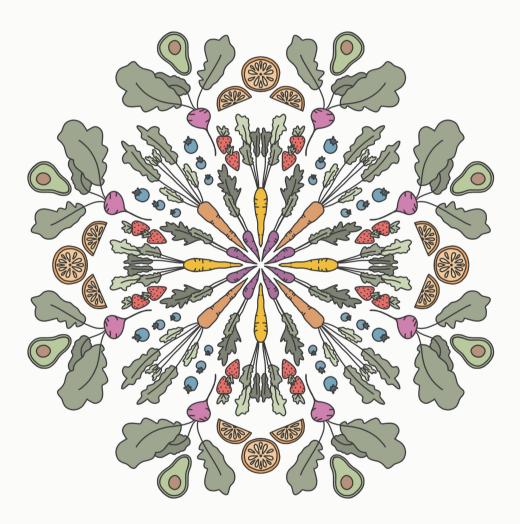
### Fridge Items:

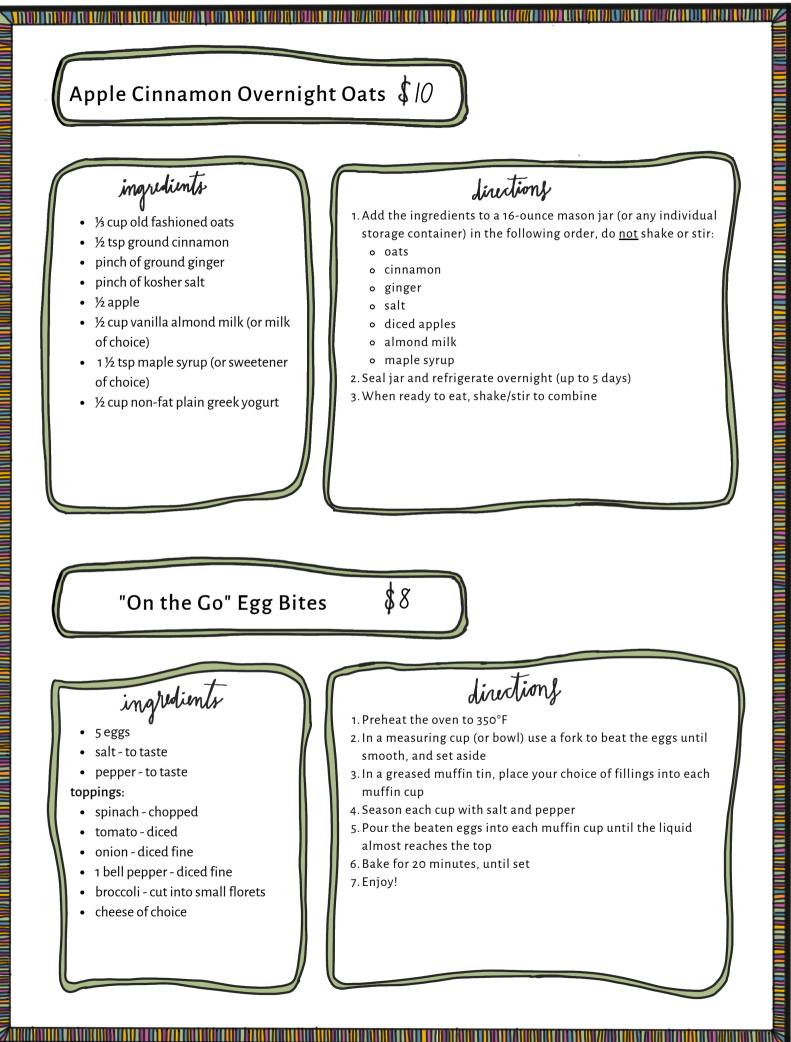
mayonnaise (\$2.50) ketchup/mustard (\$0.80 - 1.50) jelly (\$2) butter (\$2.50) ranch or salad dressing of choice (\$1.50-3) bbq sauce (\$2.50) eggs (\$1.50) sliced bread (\$2)

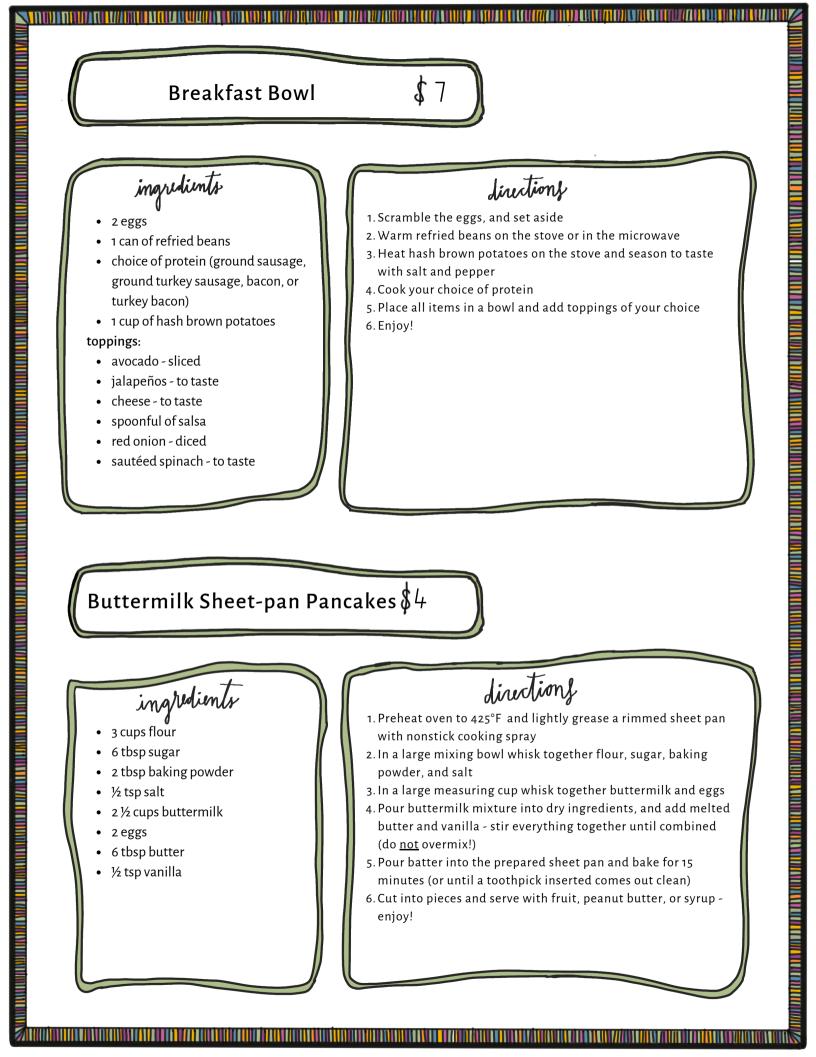




## BREAKFAST







## Overnight Eggs Benedict Casserole \$10



Hash Brown Casserole

ingredients

• 1 package frozen hash browns

1 can condensed cream of chicken

3 cups corn flakes cereal

• 1/2 cup grated cheddar cheese

½ tsp garlic powder1 cup sour cream

1 cup mayonnaise
¼ cup unsalted butter
½ tsp onion powder

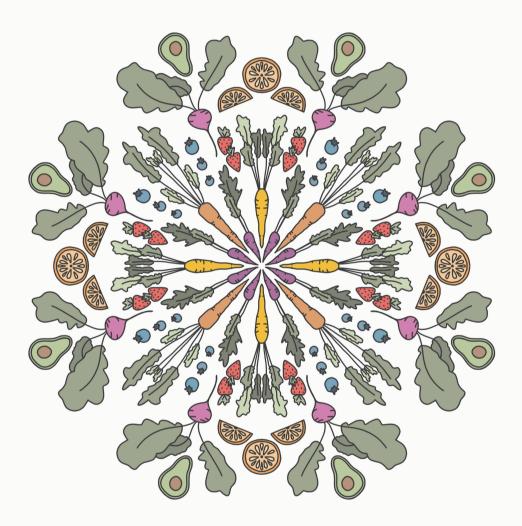
potatoes

soup

directions

- 1. Preheat the oven to 325°F and prepare baking dish with nonstick cooking spray
- 2. Combine the hash brown mixture ingredients in a large bowl and evenly spread the mixture in the baking dish
- 3. Make the topping by mixing the butter with the cornflakes, and pour evenly over the hash brown mixture
- 4. Bake for 75-90 minutes and serve immediately

# LUNCH





## Grilled Cheese & Tomato Soup \$4

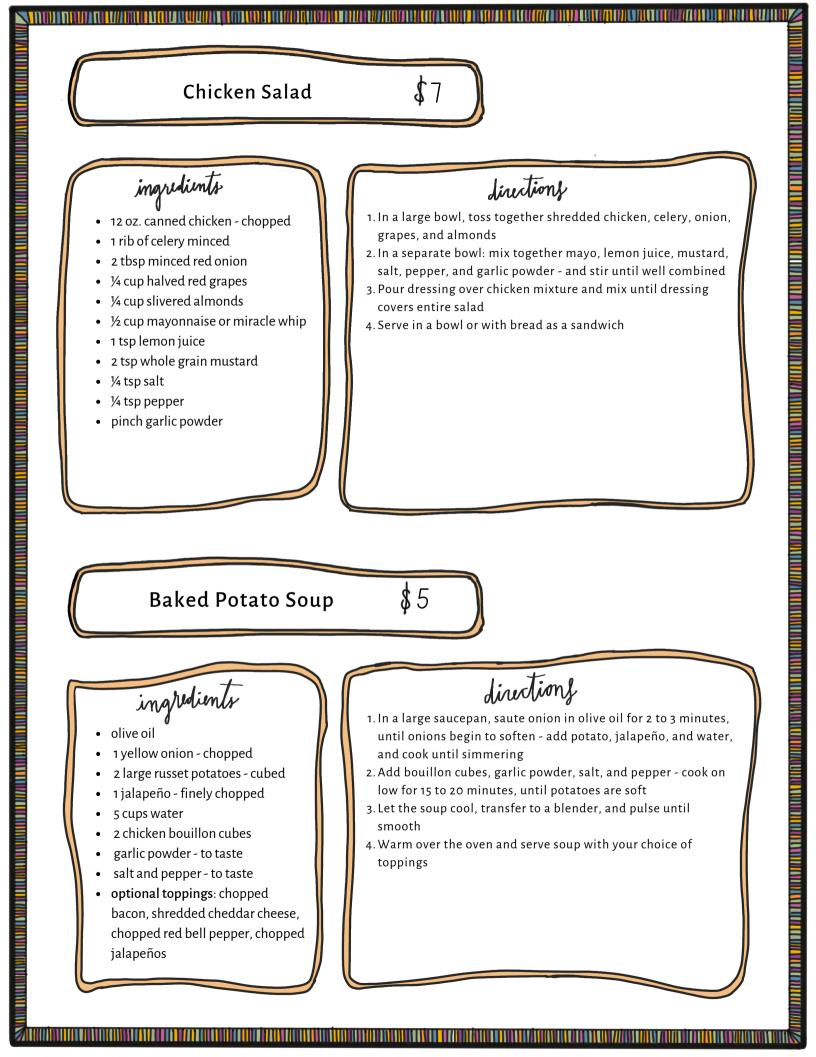


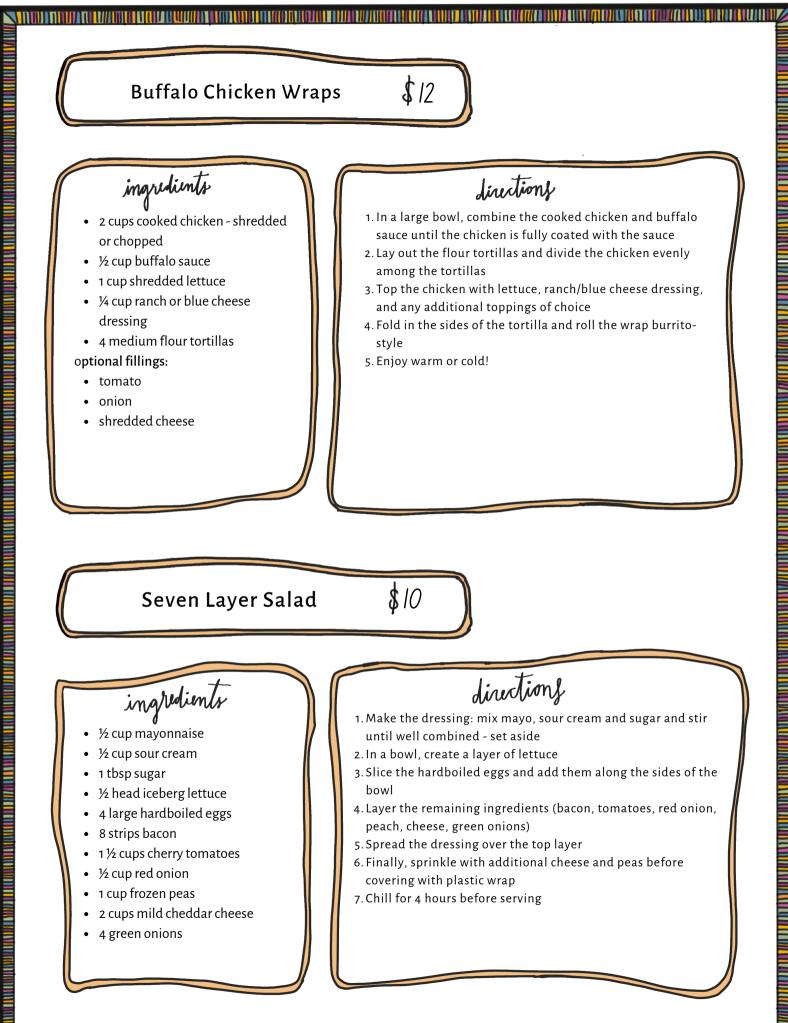
- 1 can of tomato soup
- butter softened
- 2 slices of bread (per sandwhich)
- 2 slices of american cheese (per sandwhich)

directions

- 1. Heat the soup in saucepan over medium heat until the mixture is hot and bubbling stirring occasionally
- 2. Spread the butter on the bread slices

- 3. Place 4 bread slices, butter-side down, into a pan top with the cheese slices and remaining bread slices, butter-side up
- 4. Cook over medium heat until the sandwiches are lightly browned on both sides and the cheese is melted
- 5. Tasty tip: dip your grilled cheese sandwhich in the tomato soup!





**Elote Pork Bowl** 



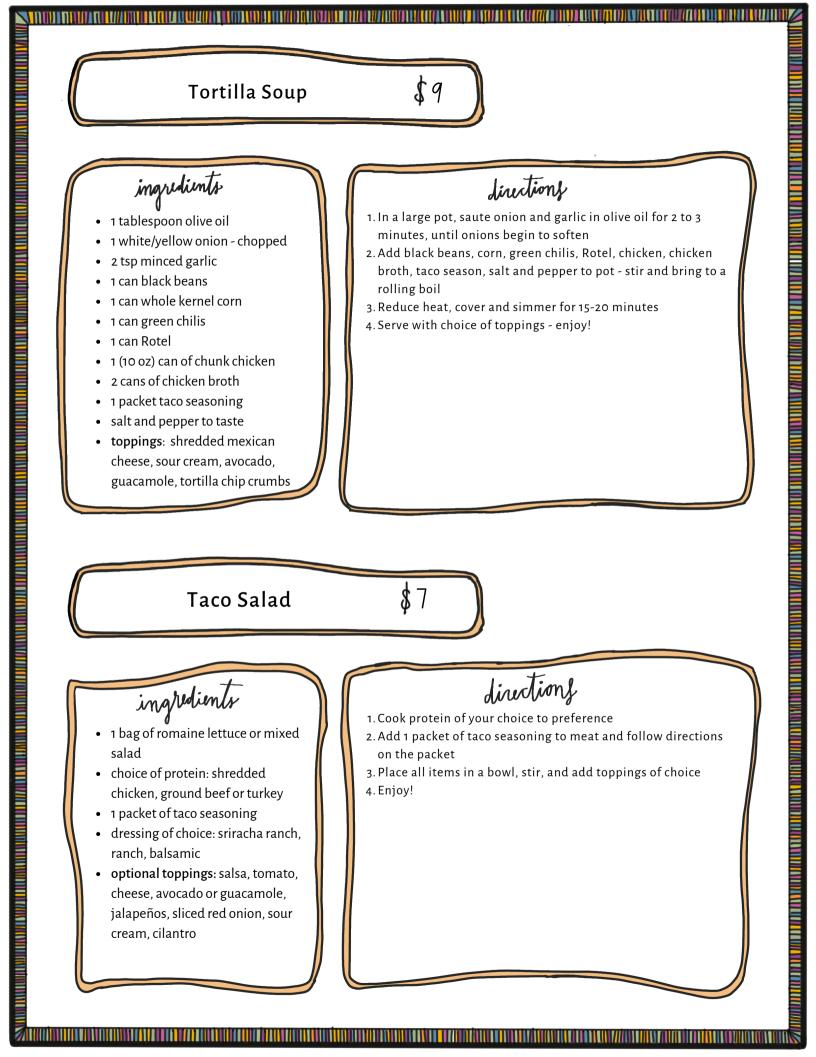
ingredients

- ½ cup white rice
- 1 can whole kernel corn
- 1 can diced jalapeños or green chilis
- 1 lime
- 1 bunch cilantro, chopped
- 10 oz ground pork or beef
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup monterey jack cheese
- 2 tbsp mayo
- 4 tbsp sour cream
- 1 packet taco or southwest seasoning
- chili powder to taste

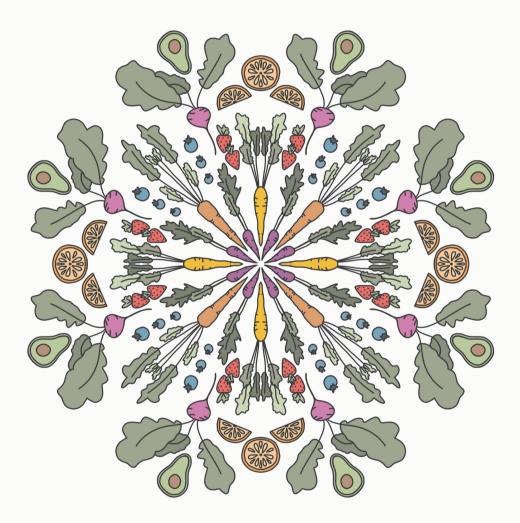
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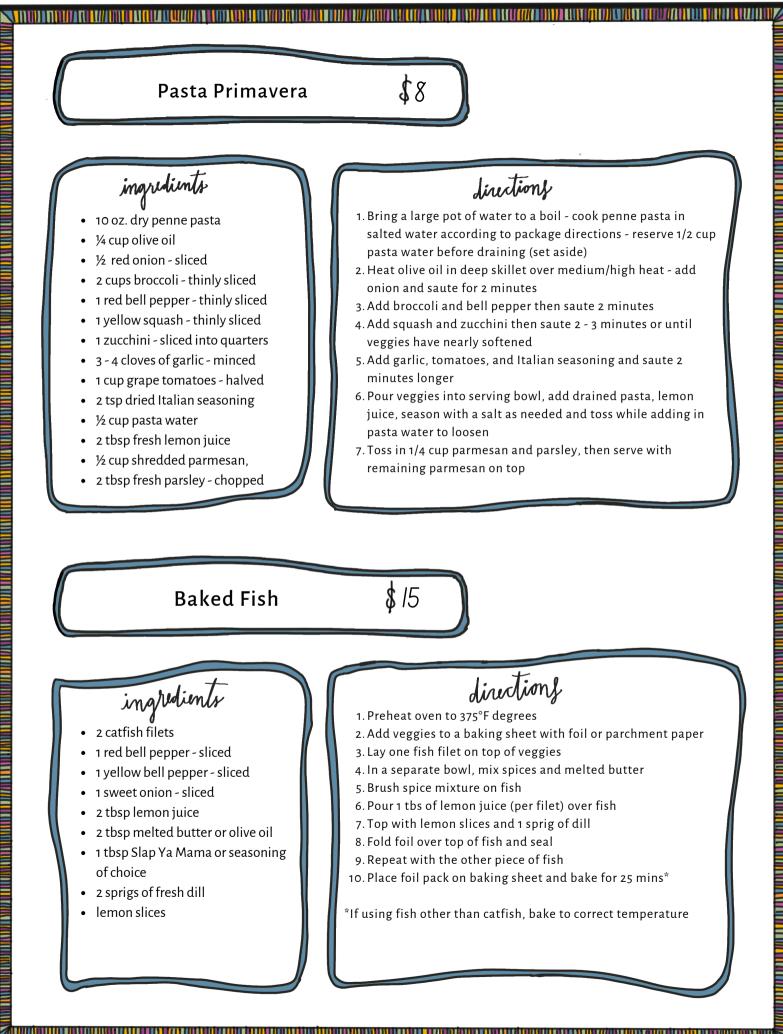
- 1. In a small pot over medium-high heat, add ¾ cup water, rice, and a pinch of salt
- 2. Bring to a boil, then reduce to low and simmer for about 15 minutes, until rice is tender - fluff rice with a fork, season with salt and pepper and cover off heat - set aside
- 3. Drain the corn then pat dry with a towel
- 4. In a large pan over high heat, drizzle olive oil, then add corn, stirring occasionally until golden and lightly charred, transfer to bowl and cover for later
- 5. Heat a drizzle of oil in pan over medium-high heat, add ground meat, a pinch of salt, taco seasoning ½ tsp of chili powder if desired
- 6. Cook for 5 minutes, until meat is browned

- 7. Grab the bowl of corn, add mayo, half the cheese, optional chili powder, and juice from half the lime season with salt and pepper and stir in jalapeño or green chilis to taste
- 8. Assemble bowl:Divide rice between two bowls, top with pork, corn mixture and the rest of the cheese - add a dollop of sour cream, chopped cilantro to taste, and a squeeze of lime



# DINNER





### Sesame Chicken Stir-fry

## \$8

ingredients

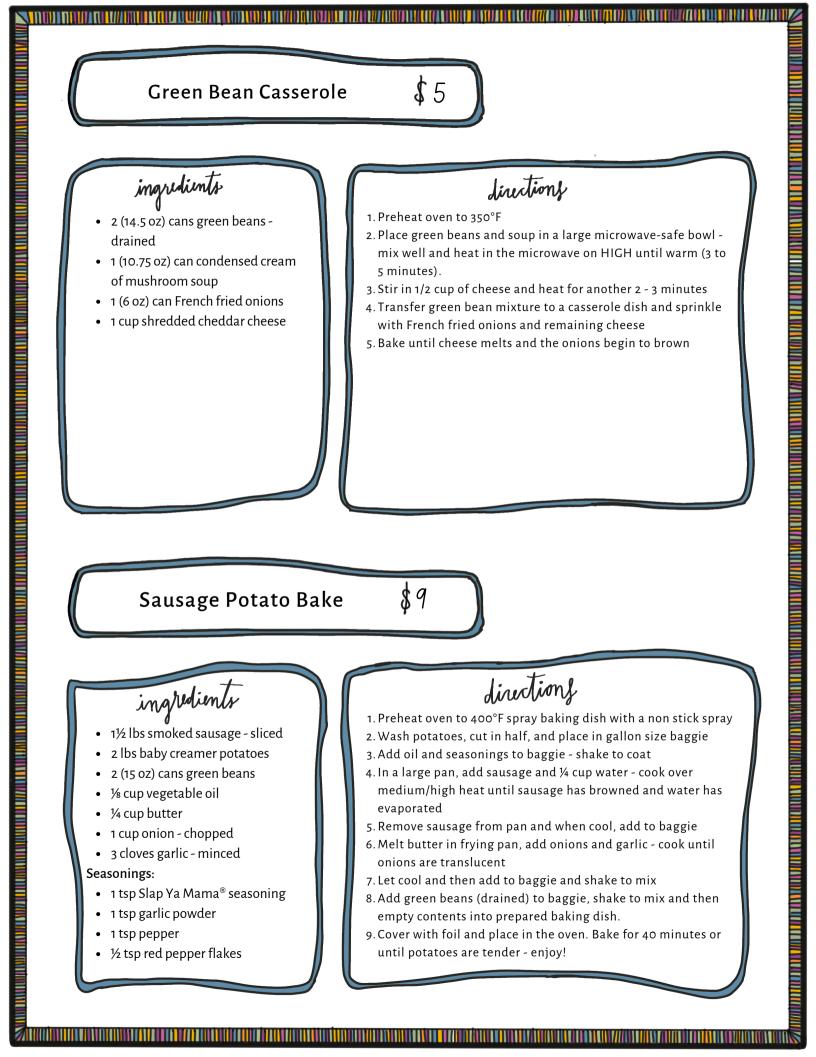
- 1 large egg
- 2 tbsp cornstarch
- 1 pinch each salt and pepper
- 1 lb boneless chicken thighs
- 2 tbsp cooking oil
- ¼ cup soy sauce
- 2 tbsp water
- 1 tbsp toasted sesame oil
- 3 tbsp brown sugar
- 1 tbsp rice vinegar
- 1 tsp grated fresh ginger
- 2 cloves garlic minced
- 1 tbsp sesame seeds
- ½ tbsp cornstarch

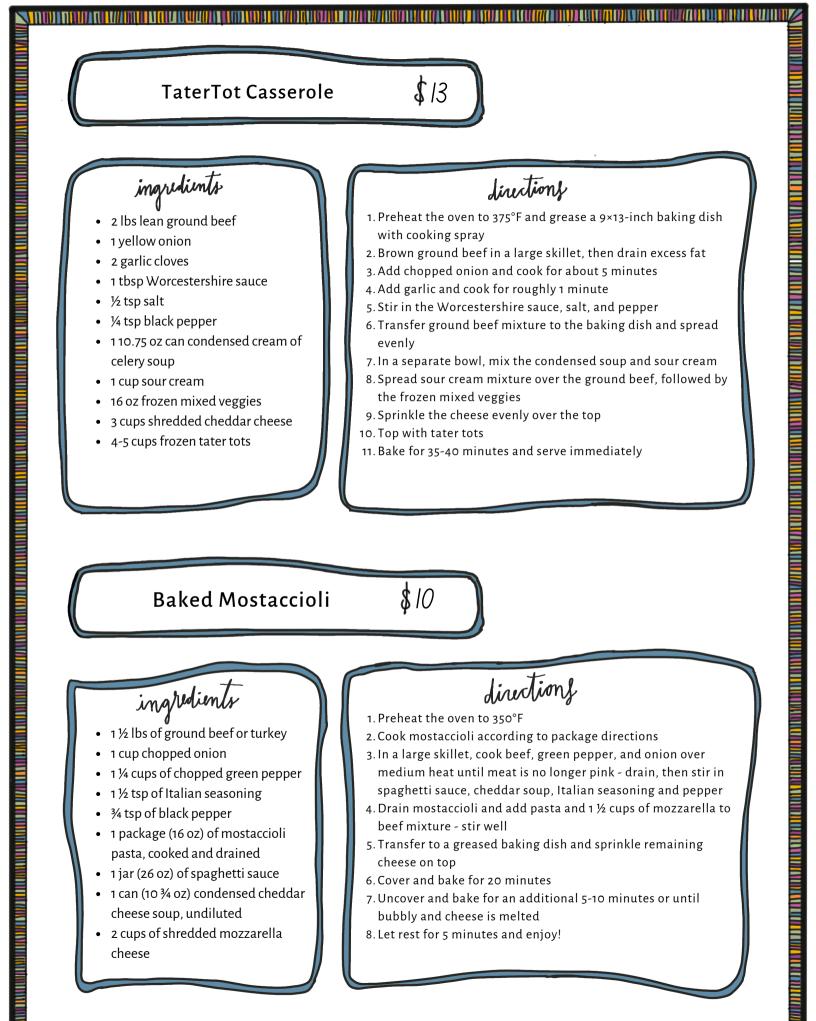
#### toppings:

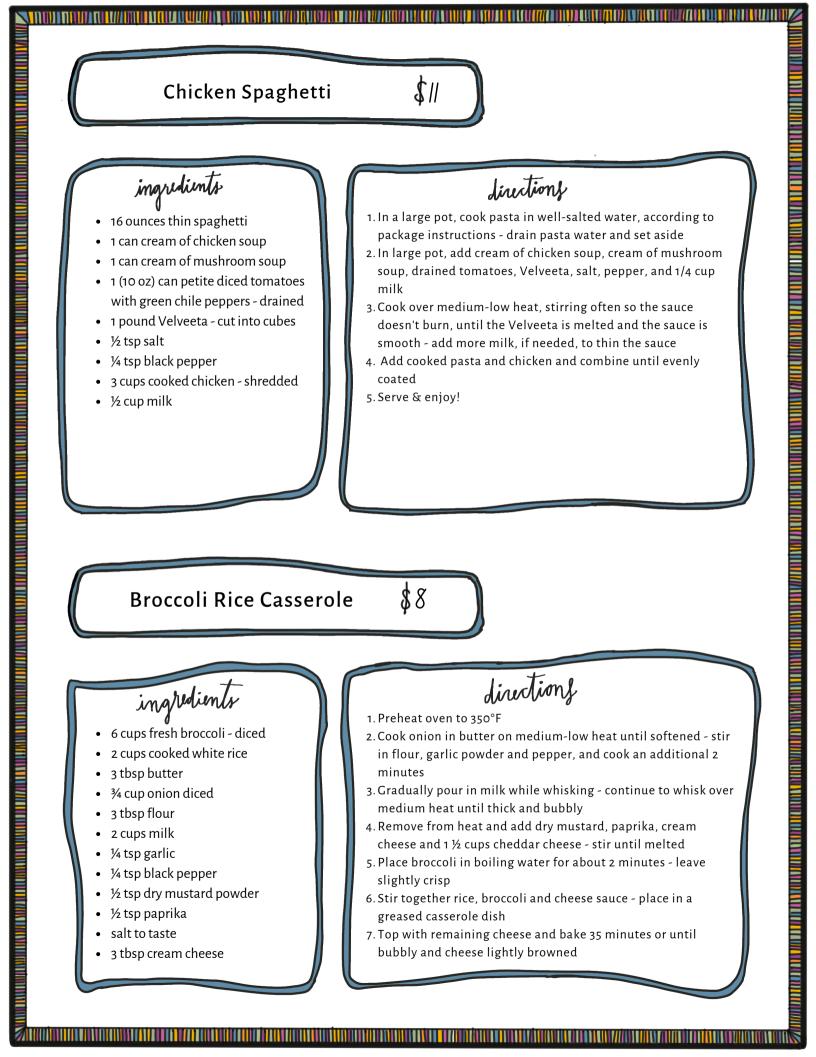
- 4 cups cooked jasmine rice
- 2 green onions chopped

directions

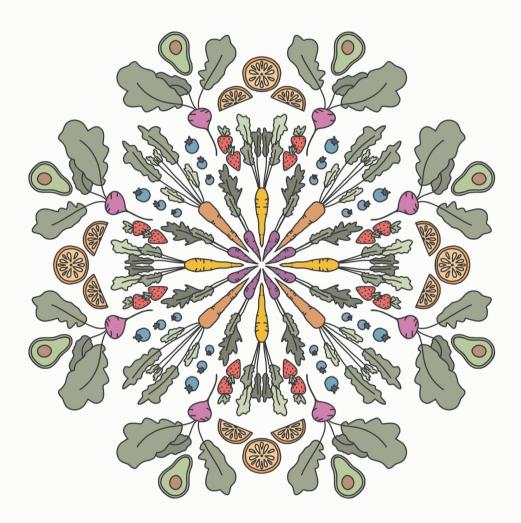
- Prepare Sauce: In a small bowl stir together the soy sauce, water, sesame oil, brown sugar, rice vinegar, fresh ginger, minced garlic, cornstarch, and sesame seeds. (Grate the ginger with a small-holed cheese grater). Set the sauce aside.
- 2. In a large bowl, whisk together the egg, 2 Tbsp cornstarch, and a pinch of salt and pepper. Trim any excess fat from the chicken thighs, then cut them into small 1 inch pieces. Toss the chicken in the egg and cornstarch mixture.
- 3. Add the cooking oil to a large skillet and heat it over medium flame. Wait until the skillet is very hot, then swirl the skillet to make sure the oil coats the entire surface. Add the batter coated chicken and spread it out into a single layer over the surface of the skillet.
- 4. Allow the chicken pieces to cook, undisturbed, until golden brown on the bottom. Then, carefully flip the chicken, breaking up the pieces into smaller clumps as you flip. Continue to cook the chicken until golden brown on the other side. Stir the chicken as little as possible to avoid breaking the egg coating from the surface of the chicken.
- 5. Once the chicken is cooked through and golden brown on all sides, pour the sauce over top. Toss the chicken to coat in the sauce. As the sauce comes up to a simmer, it will begin to thicken. Continue to gently stir the chicken in the sauce until it has thickened, then turn off the heat.
- 6. Serve the chicken over a bed of rice and sprinkle the sliced green onions over top.

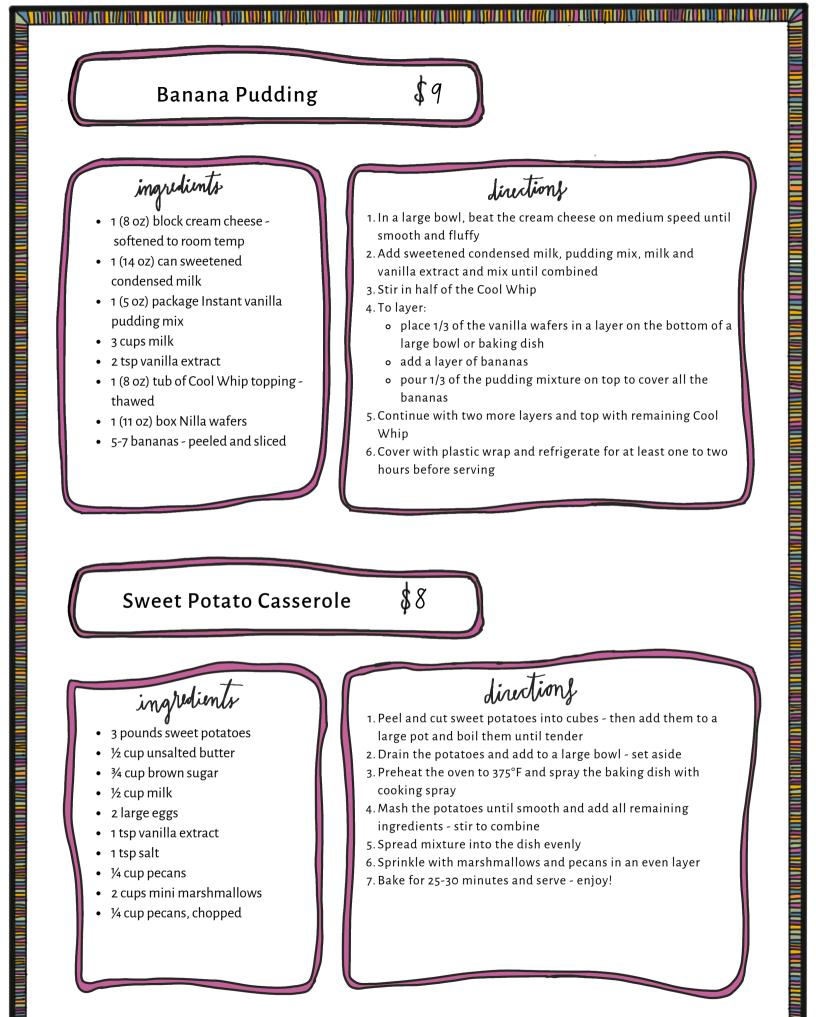


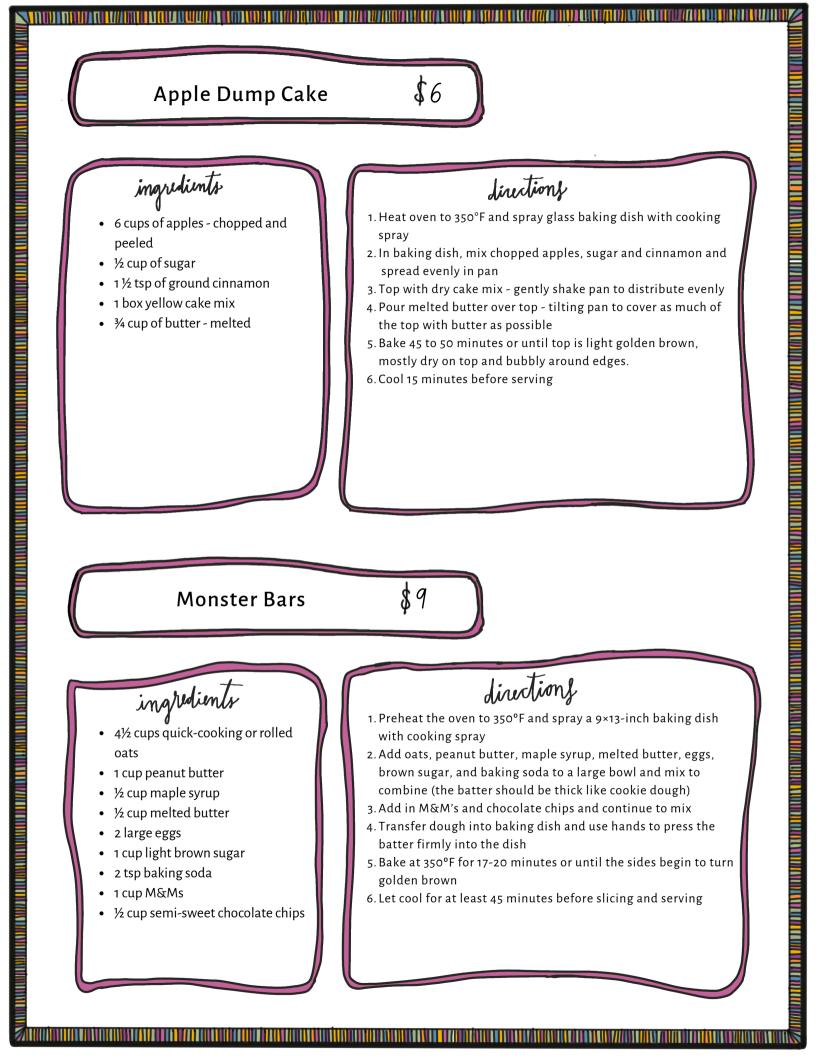




## DESSERTS

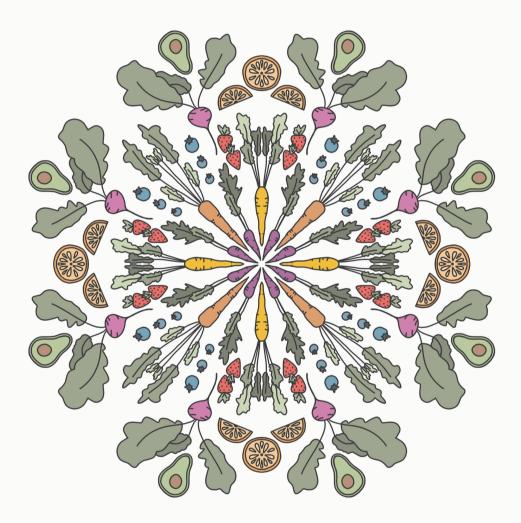






\$6 Peanut Butter Bon Bons ingredients directions 1. Add butter to a medium microwave-safe bowl and microwave BonBon Mixture until melted, then whisk in peanut butter until smooth • 4 tbsp butter 2. Add powdered sugar and stir until smooth (if too difficult to • 1 cup creamy peanut butter stir microwave for 30 seconds) •  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups powdered sugar 3. Add in Rice Krispies and stir until combined • 2 cups Rice Krispies cereal 4. Roll mix into 1-inch balls and place on greased baking sheet -**Chocolate Coating:** chill bonbons in the freezer for 45 minutes • 2 ½ cups semisweet chocolate 5. Chocolate Coating: put chocolate chips and Crisco in a chips microwave-safe bowl and microwave for 30 seconds, stir and • 1½ tbsp Crisco microwave for another 30 sec. - repeat until melted/smooth 6. Dip a frozen bonbon into the melted chocolate and spoon chocolate over the top until covered 7. Lay the dipped bonbon onto a wax paper-lined baking sheet and repeat with the remaining bonbons and chocolate. 8. Chill bonbons in the freezer for 15 minutes (or refrigerator for 30 minutes) 88 Peanut Butter Cookie Bars directions ingredients 1. Preheat oven to 350°F and spray an 8×8 baking pan with non-Dry Ingredients: stick cooking spray • 1 cup rolled oats 2. Add all dry ingredients to a bowl and mix well - set aside • ¼ cup flour 3. In a separate bowl, whisk your eggs, then add the rest of the wet ingredients to the eggs - mix well 1 tsp baking soda 4. Slowly add dry ingredients to wet ingredients - when • 1 tsp ground cinnamon ingredients are well combined, pour dough into your baking • pinch of salt pan and spread evenly ½ cup mini chocolate chips 5. Bake at 350°F for 15-18 minutes (depending on how gooey you Wet Ingredients: want the cookie bars) • 2 large eggs • 1 cup creamy peanut butter • <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup maple syrup 1 tsp vanilla extract

## S N A C K S







Fruits & Veggies:



apples: \$0.69/each fruit smoothie: \$1.50/serving fruit salad: \$1.25/serving clementines: \$0.40/serving bananas: \$0.49/each apple w/peanut butter: \$0.90/serving



Crackers & Nuts:



almonds: \$1.20/serving trail mix: \$1.30/serving roasted pecans: \$0.90/serving celery & peanut butter: \$0.75/serving skinny popcorn: \$0.75/serving granola bar: \$1/each cheese & crackers: \$0.89/serving whole grain chips & salsa: \$0.78/serving pretzels: \$0.70/serving cheerios: \$1.50/box



Fridge Snacks:



yogurt: \$0.84/serving avocado toast: \$1.25/serving hard boiled egg: \$0.50/serving cottage cheese & fruit: \$1.10/serving cucumber salad: \$1.05/serving turkey roll-ups: \$0.78/serving carrots & hummus: \$1.05/serving

## RESOURCES

### WIC - Texas Health and Human Resources for Women, Infants, and Children

Monthly food supply of fruits, vegetables, grains, dairy products, eggs, beans, fish, peanut butter, and baby food. Check your qualification at: www.texaswic.org

### <u>Contact:</u>

Call: 800-942-3678 Text: 1-855-960-4551 Email: WICsupport@hhs.texas.gov

### SNAP Food Benefits - Texas Health and Human Resources

Assistance for purchasing healthy food options. Check your qualification at: www.hhs.texas.gov/services/food/snap-foodbenefits

> <u>Contact:</u> Call: 877-541-7905

### FOOD PANTRIES

### **Pleasant Grove Food Pantry** 1324 Pleasant Drive Dallas, TX 75217 Open: Tuesdays 9:30-12:30 Call: 214-505-1928

### **Vital Impact Food Pantry**

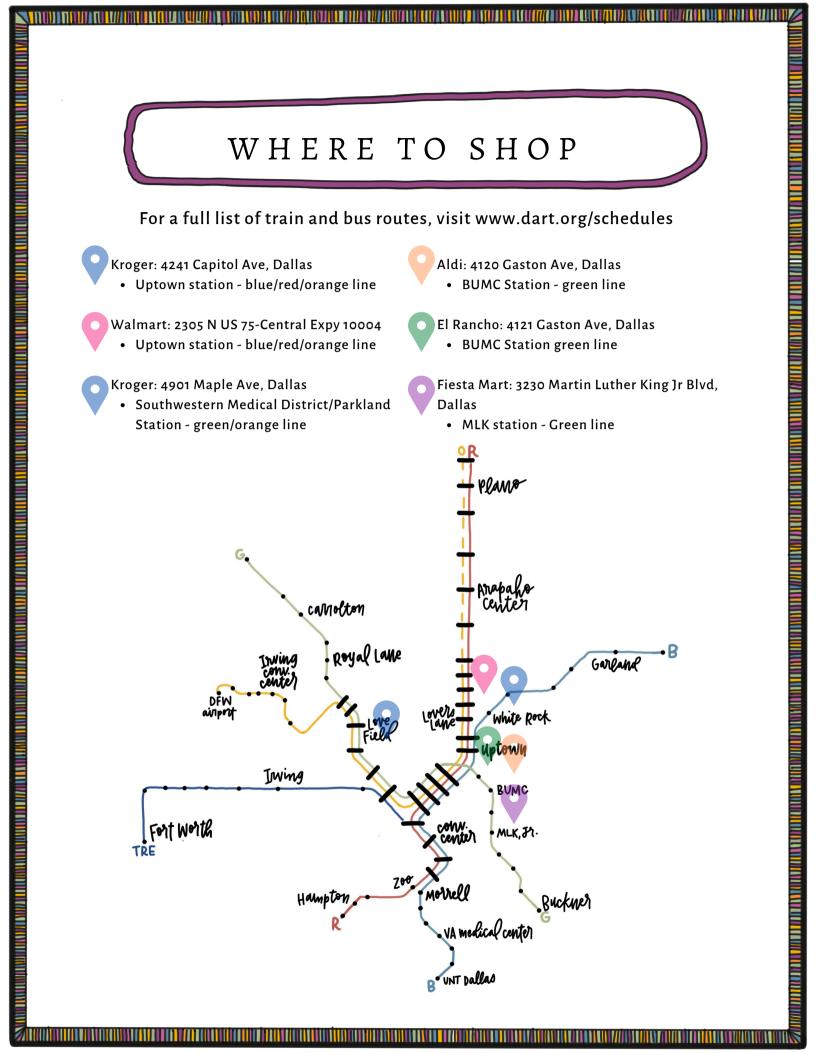
3410 S. Polk St. Dallas, TX 75224 Call: 214-374-7850

ICNA Relief Dallas Food Pantry 7225 Fair Oaks Ave #801 Dallas, TX 75231 Aunt Bette's Community Pantry 1502 Pennsylvania Ave Dallas, TX 75215 Call: 214-753-5600 Open: Mon. & Wed. 8:00-11:00

### **Carver Heights Food Pantry** 2510 E Ledbetter Drive Dallas, TX 75241 Call: 214-371-2024

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